

Homeowners Winter Storm Repairs

Work that **doesn't require** a city permit:

• Repairing sheetrock, painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.

• Electrical

 replacement of lamps or the connection of approved portable electrical equipment to approved permanently installed receptacles.

Plumbing

- The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe, provided, however, that if any concealed trap, drain pipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and a permit shall be obtained and inspection required.
- The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, provided such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.
- Replacing appliances
- Repairing components of an irrigation systems such as a sprinkler heads or controllers downstream of the backflow device

Reminders

- If a permit is required, a city inspection will also be required.
- The city requires anyone pulling a permit for plumbing or electrical work that is not on their homestead property to be licensed by the state and registered with the city as a contractor.

What work **requires** a city permit:

- Repair and replacement of backflow device/ preventor for irrigation systems, pools, domestic water lines, and fire suppression systems
- Replacement of interior water piping system
- Removal of water piping and replacement with dissimilar or alternate material
- Installing electrical hardwired fixtures such as ceiling fans or lighting fixtures or if any new electrical wiring is required to be installed.
- Structural repair or structural alteration such as removing a wall or wall components.

Where equipment replacements and repairs must be performed in an emergency situation, the permit application shall be submitted within the next working business day.



Report damage from the winter weather storm to help emergency management officials across the state gain an understanding of damages that have occurred during the recent winter weather. Reporting damage to Texas Department of Emergency Management is a voluntary activity, is not a substitute for reporting damage to your insurance agency, and does not guarantee disaster relief assistance.

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